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AD HOC WORKING GROUP, SOVIET AIR DEFENSES IN MID-1962

References: a. Memorandum 30 June 1958 $\overline{\underline{b}}$. Memorandum 11 July 1958

In accordance with reference <u>b</u>, above, an Ad Hoc Working Group on Soviet Air Defenses in Mid-1962, chaired by the Joint Staff, with members and advisors invited from all agencies and JTIB, GMIC, JAEIC and SEC, reviewed appropriate portions of NIE 11-57, "Sino-Soviet Bloc Air Defense Capabilities Through Mid-1962" (16 July 1957) from 10 July 1958 to date, for the purpose of providing the IAC with intelligence assumptions for the Net Evaluation Sub-Committee.

The Ad Hoc Working Group, after re-examination of NIE 11-57, believes that most of the NESC Soviet Air Defense requirements are presently covered by NIE 11-57, and that this coverage continues to be valid, with exception of the additions, up-datings and modifications that follow.

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2	2	Third Sentence: Delete "1300" and substitute
		"1600".
		Last Sentence: Delete "35,000" and substitute
		"up to 40,000 to 45,000 feet".
		Add at end of Paragraph: "By mid-1962 we
		estimate that the Sino-Soviet Bloc fighter
		strength will be about 15,000 with approxi-
		mately 40% of that number all-weather types."
2	5	Third Line: Delete word "low".
3	11	Third Sentence: Delete and substitute: "We
		estimate that the USSR will probably not increase
		its present numerical fighter strength and a
		cutback in the number of Soviet manned inter-
		ceptors will probably begin prior to mid-1962."



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3	12	Delete last clause and substitute: "By
		1960 the Soviets will probably have in full
		operation a digital data handling system
		for aircraft reporting and control purposes."
6	24	Last Sentence: Delete "15-30 and 10-20"
		and substitute: " 16-6 n.m.
		respectively, however some models may have
		AI radar with search ranges of 15-30 n.m.
		and track ranges of 10-20 n.m."
6	25	Add: "There is some evidence that Soviets
		may be introducing a new IFF system which
		will probably be fully operational by 1960."
7	29-31	NOTE: Should be revised to conform with
		NIE 11-5-58 when approved.
8	33	Add to the Table:
		SLANT MESH 100-200 n.m. 80-120 n.m.
		STRIKE OUT 80-180 n.m. 70-100 n.m.
		BIG MESH about 150 n.m. about 100 n.m.
8	34	Second Line: After the word "TOKEN" add:
		"(or newer modifications thereof such as
		BIG MESH, STRIKE OUT, and SLANT MESH)"
		Add to the Table:
	BIG MESH,	/ROCK CAKE about 120 n.m. about 80 n.m.
	SLANT ME	SH/ROCK CAKE 80-110 n.m. 50-70 n.m.
9	38	Change next to last sentence to read:
		"The USSR has been engaged in the development
		of automatic data handling devices suitable
		for air defense purposes."
		Delete the last sentence and substitute:
		"It is believed that the Soviets are intro-
		ducing such equipment into operational use
		and that many key areas have this equipment
		at the present time."

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9	40	Second Sentence: Delete all after "
		microwave frequencies." Substitute for
		deleted clause the following sentence:
		"Both shipborne and ground-based X-Band
		jamming equipment are in operational use."
		Fourth Sentence: Delete sentence beginning
		"The vulnerability " and substitute
		the following: "A trend has been noted
		towards frequency diversification, reducing
		the earlier concentration of frequencies
		in the $75-85 \text{ mc/s}$, $2610-3100 \text{ mc/s}$, and
		9200-9500 mc/s bands. This trend includes
		the addition of L-Band frequencies near
	•	500 mc/s and probably the use of rapidly
		changeable frequencies in some radars."
10	43	Add, "By mid-1962 there will be about 285
		regiments of fighters in Soviet Air Forces.
		Add, "The European Satellites and Communist
		China are expected to receive increasing
		quantities of AAA guns of the 100 and 57 mm
		types. In addition, newer type radar for
		warning and control purposes will be allotted
		in these countries."
11	47	First Sentence: Delete "500" and substitute
		"600". Add, "We estimate that the entire
		periphery of the USSR now has early warning
		radar. The long standing gaps in peripheral
		early warning radar coverage along the Arctic
		coast between Dikson and the Chukotski is
		now believed to have been filled, though
		perhaps not as extensively as in other
		areas. The Soviets by mid-1962 will probably
		have radar cover for all areas, except for
		inland areas of central and eastern Siberia."
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11	48	Fourth Sentence: Delete "frequently"				
		and "up to", and add "or longer".				
13	57	Add new Last Sentence: "However, with the				
		anticipated implementation of data handling				
		equipment, this traffic-handling capacity				
		is expected to increase to twelve simul-				
		taneous raids."				
14	63	Add, "By mid-1962 we estimate that the				
		static subdistrict, and District Head-				
		quarters, and major GCI sites will have				
		underground facilities."				
14	67	Delete Last Sentence, Add "Field demon-				
		strations are conducted and air raid				
		drills are prescribed. There is some				
		evidence that drills have been conducted				
		on a full scale, city wide basis. By				
		mid-1962 we estimate that this type of				
		defense will be expanded to most major				
		cities and target areas.				
15- 16	70-75 incl 76 (1st	NOTE: Discussion of Western developments				
	sentence)	appears in these sections. It is estimated				
		that the Soviets will assess Western				
		developments accurately for just what				
		they will be. The NESC, presumably, will				
		be informed fully of the Western air and				
		missile threat to the Bloc.				

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Page	Paragraph	
17	77	Change Second Sentence: "Maximum speeds
		of about 1200 knots will probably be achieved
		by the 1958-1959 day fighter." In the fourth
		sentence, change the first word "Most" to
		"A11".
17	78	Delete from last Sentence "60 percent" and
		substitute "50 percent".
17	79	Delete last sentence, add "On this basis;
		we hold estimated Soviet fighter strength
		constant at about 10,000 through mid-1960 at
		which time the Soviets will probably gradu-
		ally decrease their fighter strength. By
		mid-1962 we estimate the Soviet fighter
		strength to be slightly over 9,000 aircraft."
21	96	Delete Second Sentence and Substitute:
		"We also have evidence that in addition to
		the Soviet employment of individual cruisers
		and destroyers in air early warning exercises,
		Soviet minesweepers are now being adapted
		for use as station radar picket ships for
		continental early warning."
21	98	Delete last three Sentences and Substitute:
		"The limitation imposed by current air-ground
		radio communications equipment is probably
		being overcome by use of an air-ground data-
		link system. By mid-1962 it is estimated
		that this equipment will be in widespread
		use."

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22 100 Delete Third and Fourth Sentences and
Substitute Following: "By mid-1960 the
air defense control and reporting system
will be passing information in digital
form and computors will be employed to
increase the traffic handling capacity and
to solve the complex problems associated
with ground-controlled intercepts. This
system will be in widespread use within
the USSR and probably in the European
Satellite countries."

31 Table 3

Change Table as Follows:

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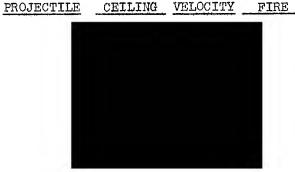
CALIBER

WEAPON

14.5 mm AA HMGs (single, dual, and quadruple barrelled)

57 mm AA Gun M 1950

100 mm AA Gun M 1949



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Substitute new Table herewith:

Bloc Airfields in Mid-1958

Minimum Runway Lengths (feet)

AREA

USSR:

EUROPEAN SATELLITES:

ASIATIC COMMUNIST NATIONS:

9,000 8,000 7,000 6,000 5,000

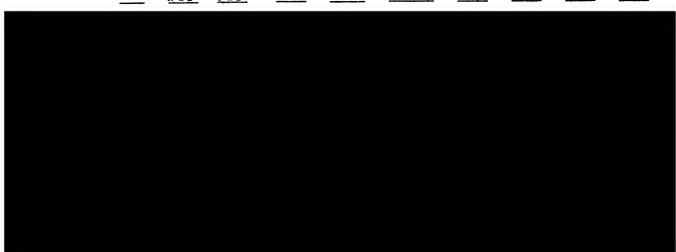
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Page 30, Table 2 ESTIMATED PERFORMANCE OF SOVIET INTERCEPTOR AIRCRAFT (External Fuel) OPTIMUM

(Calculated in accordance with U.S. Mil C-5011A Spec except that fuel reserves are reduced to permit a maximum of 20 minutes maximum endurance at Sea Level and aircraft operate at altitudes permitting maximum Radius)

1958 1959 1962 25X4USAF FRESCO 1/ FARMER FIASH-1958 FAGOT FRESCO A & B C & D FACEPLATE FITTER AWF-59 AWF-62 LIGHT A AWF-58



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34 Table 5 Subst

Substitute new Table:

Table 5

Estimated Actual Bloc Jet Fighter Strength in Operational Units

USSR	Mid-1962
Day	4410
All-weather	4890
Subtotals	9300
European Satellites	
Day	2860
All-weather	740
Subtotals	3600
Asiatic Communist	
Day	1900
All-weather	<u>690</u>
Subtotals	2590
Bloc Totals	
Day	9170
All-weather	6320
Subtotals	15,490

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35 Table 6

Amend present Table as follows:

TABLE 6

OPERATIONAL SITES

Prime Early Warning	1958	1962
Token	325	135
New Type	****	<u>175</u>
TOTAL	325	310
GCI		
Token	350	115
New Type	NA TOTAL PARTY OF THE PARTY OF	<u> 295</u>
TOTAL	350	410

OPERATIONAL RADAR EQUIPMENTS

Air Search Types

Token	600	600
Gage & other new types	75	495

NOTE: Remainder of Table unchanged, including footnotes.

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Table 7 - Amend Table as follows:

Estimated Actual Strength and Deployment of Certain Sino-Soviet Bloc Air Defense Equipment (Mid-1962)

Jet Fighter Acft in Op Units					
AREA	DAY	ALL WEATHER	TOTAL	J ET FIGHTERS REGIMENTS	
Northwestern USSR	670	720	1390	43	
Western USSR	985	1070	2055	63	
West Central USSR	600	900	1500	45	
Caucasus	555	575	1130	35	
East Central USSR	305	315	620	19	
Far Eastern USSR	850	820	1670	51	
TOTAL WITHIN USSR	3965	4400	8365	 256	
Soviet Forces East Eur	ope 445	490	935	29	
TOTAL SOVIET:	(4410)	(4890)	(9300)	(285)	
Satellite Nations	2860	<u>740</u>	<u>3600</u>	113	
TOTAL EAST EUROPE:	3305	1230	4535	142	
Asiatic Communist:	1900	690	2590	76	
TOTAL BLOC:	9,170	6,320	15,490	474	

NOTE: Radars, AAA now under review. Footnotes remain unchanged at present.

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ANNEX C, MAPS:

Approximate Number of Bloc Airfields Suitable for Jet Fighter Operations for Use in Connection With Map I.

Mid-1962

USSR: 470
European Satellites: 180
Asiatic Communist Nations: 180

Breakdown of USSR airfields for Map I:

West USSR: 135
Caucasus: 45
North West USSR: 85
West Central USSR: 85
East Central USSR: 35
Far East USSR: 85

Estimated fighter strengths in 1962 for the areas listed for use in connection with Map I:

Eastern Europe:	Day:	3305	All-weather: 1230
West USSR:	Day:	985	All-weather: 1070
Northwest USSR:	Day:	670	All-weather: 720
West Central USSR:	Day:	600	All-weather: 900
Caucasus:	Day:	555	All-weather: 575
East Central USSR:	Day:	305	All-weather: 315
Far East USSR:	Day:	850	All-weather: 1,670
Asiatic Communist Nations:	Day:	1,900	All-weather: 690

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